



Attorney Docket No. 120399/11743 (21635-0057)  
Application No. 10/071,596

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of MEECE et al.	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 3722
Application No.: 10/071,596	)	
	)	Examiner: Cadugan
Filed: February 8, 2002	)	
	)	
For: METHOD OF CUTTING A HOLE IN A COMPOSITE MATERIAL WORKPIECE		

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please consider the following Response for the above-referenced Application.

**A.) INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Response is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated January 26, 2004.

The **Claims** section begins on page 2 of this Response. The claims are not amended, but a current claim set is presented for reference. Applicant asks that the Examiner check this claim set for accuracy and indicate any inaccuracies.

The **Remarks/Arguments** section begins on page 7 of this Response.